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For: CLOTHING ATTACHMENT DEVICE FOR

AN EXTERNAL COMPONENT OF A

MEDICAL DEVICE

Examiner: BAYS, Pamela M.

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT (IDS)

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Pursuant to 37 CFR 1.56, 1.97 and 1.98, the attention of the Patent and Trademark Office is hereby directed to the references listed on the attached PTO/SB/08. It is respectfully requested that the information be expressly considered during the prosecution of this application, and that the references be made of record therein and appear among the "References Cited" on any patent to issue therefrom.

This Information Disclosure Statement is filed before the mailing date of a first Office Action on the merits as far as is known to the undersigned (37 CFR 1.97(b)(3)).

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Applicant submits a copy of German Patent 4417821. An English language copy of this document is not available. However, Applicant submits herewith copies of the International Search Report and International Preliminary Report on Patentability indicating that German Patent 4417821 defines the state of the art.

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